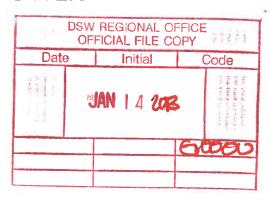


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Re: Proposed Post-2017 Resource Pool Marketing Criteria

Dear Mr. Moe,

Mt. Wheeler Power, Inc. is a Cooperative serving consumers in the White Pine County (Hoover) marketing boundary. In reviewing the loads in the marketing boundary, we have approx. 2,500 Kw in the summer and 1,000 Kw in the winter. The summer loads are mostly irrigation which incorporates the two towns of Preston and Lund. The winter loads are mostly residential with a few small businesses. With limited heating recourses, most of our consumers heat their homes with electricity.

I believe the only Native Indian tribe that is served in that area is Duckwater and it appears it is too far west of the boundary limits. Also, Mt Wheeler Power would be unable to deliver any Hoover allocation until the on-line project is in place, (the 345KV line from Ely to Las Vegas) which is projected to be completed the end of this year. Question being with the priority consideration method, would there be any power reserved for each group?

Mt. Wheeler Power currently receives power from WAPA through the Salt Lake City Utah office. With Consideration to the above, would we be eligible to apply for the additional power resource?

Sincerely,

Randy Ewell

General Manager/CEO